

Minutes from the City Council Meeting on Tuesday June 4, 2019 at 7:15 pm in the RiverMills Senior Center, 5 West Main Street are as follows:

Vieau, John L.	Ward 3 Councilor	Absent
Laflamme, Frank N.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Roy, Gerard (Jerry) A.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Tillotson, James K.	At-Large Councilor	Present
Zygarowski, Robert J.	At-Large Councilor	Present
McAuliffe, Joel D.	Ward 1 Councilor	Present
Brooks, Shane D.	Ward 2 Councilor	Present
Balakier, George A.	Ward 4 Councilor	Present
Krampits, Fred T.	Ward 5 Councilor	Present
Dobosz, Derek	Ward 6 Councilor	Present
Courchesne, William C.	Ward 7 Councilor	Present
Labrie, Gary R.	Ward 8 Councilor	Present
Walczak, Stan	Ward 9 Councilor	Present

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Public Input-Mary Beth Costello, 66 Voss Avenue, thank Councilor Tillotson, thank veterans, 100 year old, veteran's services is initiating a celebration for these veterans that are 100. WW1 Veterans-annually we can celebrate a veteran. Al Kendall, 40 Meadow Street, Thank Mayor Kos for his reappointment to the Registrar of Voters. One of the best offices, office is among the highest, most dedicated. Proud to serve with the others on the board. Thank Keith for working with the Registrars. Commission on Disabled need people to serve the community. Work on safety and access. Offer 20 hours a month, very appreciated, register to vote. Voting is important.

C-1 A communication from Brandon Pollock, President & CEO, Theory Wellness Inc. for an extension of two Special Permit applications located at 672A Fuller Road.

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive, refer to items#22 & #23 on the agenda. Motion passed, referred, Councilor Vieau absent.

MO-1 Mayors appropriation of One million and 00/100 dollars (\$1,000,000.00) to the following named account: Reduction of the 2020 Fiscal Year Tax Levy from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Laflamme to receive and pass. Councilor Laflamme stated the mayor is looking to offset the 2020 tax levy. Councilor McAuliffe stated he has mixed feelings on this agenda item. If we're giving money back to the taxpayers, the way we fund departments. We continually over budget. Underfunded schools, all for giving money back to the taxpayers. Councilor Tillotson stated budget is a budget, not a magic answer. Rather see this than a deficit. Mayor will be giving the schools extra money this year. Money rolled back with positions unfilled. All this extra money is because there was a surplus in the Fire Department. Budget is not an exact science. Still going to take care of the schools, schools are important. This is a no brainer. Councilor Laflamme agrees with Councilor Tillotson we are lucky to have the extra money. Sometimes the money from salary is there. Always trying to fill positions. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

MO-2 Mayors appropriation of Seven thousand twenty five and 60/100 dollars (\$7,025.60) to the following named account: Human Resources Special Account for Indemnifications of Police & Fire from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to receive and pass. Councilor Dobosz stated this is money for healthcare costs. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

MO-3 Mayors appropriation of Five thousand ninety three and 57/100 dollars (\$5,093.57) to the following attached named General Fund Salary Accounts in accordance with the recently signed

Memorandum of Agreement with the Chicopee Professional Municipal Employees Association from available funds in the Human Resources Special Account for Employee Salary Reviews.

--Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive and pass. Councilor Courchesne stated this is money to fund contract settlement of department heads. Councilor Walczak stated glad to see all people brought up to 40 hours. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-4 Mayors appropriation of One thousand ten and 35/100 dollars (\$1,010.35) to the following attached named Sewer Fund Salary Accounts in accordance with the recently signed Memorandum of Agreement with the Chicopee Professional Municipal Employees Association from available funds in the Sewer Surplus Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to receive and pass. Councilor Zygarowski stated same as previous, to fund the agreement. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-5 Mayors appropriation of Five hundred ninety three and 39/100 dollars (\$593.39) to the following attached named Water Fund Salary Accounts in accordance with the recently signed Memorandum of Agreement with the Chicopee Professional Municipal Employees Association from available funds in the Water Surplus Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive and pass. Councilor Balakier stated recently signed agreement, department head funding. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-6 Mayors appropriation of One hundred sixty five thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$165,000.00) to the following named account: Fire Special Account for Purchase of Equipment from available funds in the Fire Salary Account for Firefighter 2nd Year.

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and pass. Councilor Tillotson stated extra money in the account, couldn't get them employed and trained. Extra from salary, able to take care of with the surplus. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-7 Mayors appropriation of Fifty eight thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$58,000.00) to the following named account: Fire Special Account for Purchase of Equipment from available funds in the Fire Salary Account for Firefighter 2nd Year.

--Motion made by Councilor Labrie to receive and pass. Councilor Labrie stated also the Fire Department using available funds to change to a 4" hose, most local departments have already changed over. Councilor Laflamme stated when we do mutual aid, we can now interchange. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-8 Mayors appropriation of Forty six thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$46,000.00) to the following named account: Fire Special Account for Purchase of Equipment from available funds in the Fire Salary Account for Firefighter 2nd Year.

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and pass. Councilor Walczak stated this is salary money used to repair an old pumper. More savings than replacing the pumper. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-9 Mayors appropriation of Thirty eight thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$38,000.00) to the following named account: Fire Special Account for Purchase of Equipment from available funds in the Fire Salary Account for Firefighter 2nd Year.

--Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and pass. Councilor Krampits stated similar funding, new set of jaws of life for station one. Materials in newer cars are stronger. Councilor

Laflamme stated note on the last couple orders-salary money- the Chief and the Mayor are actively recruiting. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-10 Mayors appropriation of Twenty four thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$24,000.00) to the following named account: Fire Special Account for Purchase of Equipment from available funds in the Fire Salary Account for Firefighter 2nd Year.

--Motion made by Councilor Roy to receive and pass. Councilor Roy stated same thing, buying vests and helmets. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-11 Mayors appropriation of One hundred eighty thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$180,000.00) to the following named account: Remediation/Demolition of Uniroyal Buildings from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to receive and pass. Councilor McAuliffe stated funds for the Uniroyal property, grants continue on the property. Councilor Tillotson stated going to be reimbursed, quite a ways to go but we are trying to go as far as we can with federal monies. Councilor Laflamme stated getting these three buildings down is critical. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-12 Mayors appropriation of Fifty three thousand six hundred thirty nine and 10/100 dollars (\$53,639.10) to the following named account: Reserve for School Special Custodians from available funds in the Undesignated Fund Balance "Free Cash" Account.

--Motion made by Councilor Laflamme to receive and pass. Councilor Laflamme stated funds from the cell towers, go to maintenance for summer help at the schools. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-13 Mayors appropriation of Eighteen thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$18,000.00) to the following named account: Library Expense Account for Special Services from available funds in the Library Salary Account for Assistant Director.

--Motion made by Councilor Dobosz to receive and pass. Councilor Dobosz stated money for flooring in the library, looking into more durable flooring. Councilor Tillotson stated from their own budget. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-14 Ordered that the City Council accept the attached list of donations in the amount of One thousand seven hundred and 90/100 dollars (\$1,799.90). Said donations are to be used for the May 4, 2019 Parks Clean-Up Day as part of the Earth Days Celebration and are accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A and 53A 1/2.

--Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive, pass and the donations accepted. Councilor Courchesne stated letters of thanks to donators, businesses donate to help the kids. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-15 Ordered that the City Council accept the attached list of donations in the amount of One thousand six hundred fifty five and 00/100 dollars (\$1,655.00) to the Chicopee Public Library. Said donations are accepted in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44 Section 53A.

-- Motion made by Councilor Zygarowski to receive, pass and the donations accepted. Councilor Zygarowski stated thank god for all these donations. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- MO-16 To the City Council:

You are hereby notified that I have this day appointed, Donald D. Goulette, 1031 Granby Road, Chicopee, Massachusetts as a member of the License Commission to serve in such office for the

term expiring on the 1st of June, 2024. To which appointment I ask the confirmation of your honorable council.

***Re-Appointment**

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and approved this evening. Councilor Tillotson stated been there for quite some time, deserves to be reappointed. Councilor Laflamme stated does a great job, glad he's willing to serve again. Motion passed. Councilor Vieau absent.

MO-17 To the City Council:

You are hereby notified that I have this day appointed, Al Kendall, 40 Meadow Street, Chicopee, Massachusetts as a member of the Board of Registrars of Voters to serve in such office for the term expiring on the 1st of April, 2023. To which appointment I ask the confirmation of your honorable council.

***Re-Appointment**

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and approved this evening. Councilor Tillotson stated support him, served with him in the military. Councilor Balakier stated he has known Al for a number of years, good guy, does a good job. Councilor Laflamme stated he also serves on the Commission on Disability and does a great job. Motion passed. Councilor Vieau absent.

MO-18 An order authorizing the Mayor, in accordance with M.G.L. C. 40 §§ 3, 14 and 15A and the City Charter, to acquire and dispose of certain real estate through a boundary line agreement with D.H. Holdings Corporation for the purpose of clearing title to property needed for Flood Control in the area of Delta Park.

See attached order.

--Motion made by Councilor Balakier to receive and pass. Councilor Balakier stated an order to clear title of property for flood control. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

MO-19 BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council that the Code of the City of Chicopee for the Year 1991, as amended, be and is hereby further amended as follows:

DELETE THE FOLLOWING

§ 61-2. Other responsibilities.

The City Messenger shall:

- A. Be custodian of the City Hall and Annex, the public safety complex, the Little Red School House, the library and fire station, the public building on Britton Street and the C & ROP building on Center Street. The City Messenger shall, under the direction of the Mayor, be custodian of all City buildings listed above. He shall be responsible for the maintenance of the buildings and grounds and have charge of all employees and records pertaining to the same.
- B. Prepare rooms selected for polling places and have equipment available in due time for the proper conduct of elections

§ 61-3. Assistants.

The Assistant City Messenger and all other employees having the care and maintenance of the City Hall buildings and grounds shall be responsible to the City Messenger, under the direction of the Mayor.

§ 61-4. Retention of certain fees.

The City Messenger shall in no case receive any fee, other than his salary, for his services in or about the City buildings, except for services at balls, fairs or festivals, rendered after the hour of 9:00 p.m. and any such fees received by him may be retained by him as his own property.

§ 61-5. Subdivision and assignment of parking spaces.

The City Messenger is directed to subdivide, line and number the municipal parking lot adjoining the City Hall Annex into 26 parking spaces, two designated for handicap parking. The remaining spaces shall be assigned by the City Messenger for the use of municipal departments.

This ordinance shall take effect July 13, 2019.

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Tillotson stated Councilor McAuliffe has concerns, we have the right to change ordinances. The City Messenger is in the charter but duties are created by ordinance. Time evolved, he became the custodian to the city, positions will all be funded beside the messenger. Position will still be available, still need a messenger. Positions they are concerned about are maintenance positions. Talked about merging departments and adding talent. Ongoing, there is a way to go around this, Council and School Committee have been working well together. Mr. Chapdelaine is a great guy. Have a person in house that can handle the job, try to get on the agenda for next week vote at the end of the month. Everyone is welcome to come and voice opinions at the Ordinance Committee meeting. We can make an ordinance but that would involve the school committee, clear that both sides agree, flexible. Councilor McAuliffe stated the City Council is tasked with making laws. There should be a law, not a gentleman's agreement. Mess with collective bargaining. Served on the committee that recommended combining departments, encourage colleagues to make an ordinance. Councilor Dobosz stated in case the briefing was missed, the City Messenger is the head of maintenance for city buildings. One maintenance department, combining departments, city and school. School side has been hesitant to combine, going to be a good thing in the long run. Credit Mayor Kos for doing this. Councilor Laflamme stated the reason the mayor brought this up now is the current messenger is retiring. Can always back out of this in March. For this since he got on, makes sense to have a plumber/electrician available. Already helping, areas of deterioration, should be treated, use talent where needed. These new buildings have controls and systems, should have a full time person to deal with that. Prioritize, bulk purchase worth a try now, in favor. Going down the right road. Councilor Courchesne stated everyone who is there is having their position funded. Councilor Tillotson stated one of the most difficult things is the discrepancy in salary. If school and city wanted to convert, we would do it. School Committee must agree with this. We have a year to decide if we like this. Charter is very clear, that's why they are submitting this as they are. Counselor Garvey stated city buildings are in control of Mayor and Council, school buildings are in control of the Superintendent of Schools and the School Committee, need to work within the provisions of the charter. Councilor Tillotson stated contract, not just a piece of paper, legal agreement, binding. Councilor Labrie stated been talking about consolidating for two years now. Now is the time, can back out in March. Councilor McAuliffe stated an agreement, the city will not sue itself. This is an attempt to subvert the charter. The Mayor said hes sick of government moving too slow. Motion to refer passed by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 no. Councilor McAuliffe voting no, Councilor Vieau absent.

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A favorable Recreation Committee report, BE IT ORDERED THAT the Recreation Committee meet with the Parks and Recreation Department and Golf Department for an update on the department's budget, capital and outlook for 2019.

--Motion made by Councilor Laflamme to receive and placed on file. Councilor Laflamme stated every year the Golf Commission & Recreation Committee meet to show budgeting and updates. Concern, on recreation to discuss the process of the trash being removed from the parks. Truck was mainly purchased for parks, understand the process, having issues. Councilor Walczak stated gold course, lucky to have such a wonderful pro there. American junior tournament there this year.

Chicopee is hosting, feather in their cap. Recreation-work with the Ray Ash pool, Rivers Park, Nash Park is almost completed. Councilor Courchesne stated Nash Park is a little delayed, it has been vandalized twice in the last two weeks. Motion passed. Councilor Vieau absent.

- 21 A favorable Zoning Committee report, application for a Special Permit under Section 275-72 of the Municipal Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of a Marijuana Establishment categorized under License Group A and located at 77 Champion Drive and used for Marijuana Cultivation and Marijuana Product Manufacturing. Furthermore, Apical is seeking the following waivers:

1. A partial waiver of the requirement for a 100 ft. vegetative screen along the southern parcel boundary.
2. A partial waiver of the requirement for a 100 ft. vegetative screen along the western parcel boundary.

Applicant Apical, Inc.
Kot Kasom
19 Wemelco Way
Southampton, MA 01073

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to vote on the waiver #1. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 no. Councilor Zygarowski voting no, Councilor Vieau absent. Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to vote on the waiver #2. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 no. Councilor Zygarowski voting no, Councilor Vieau absent. Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and the Special Permit granted with restrictions. Councilor Tillotson stated one gentleman would have preferred manufacturing, strictly manufacturing, taken care of the noise/smell/security, it is what it is. Councilor Laflamme is in favor, good location, all business zoned, not much traffic. Councilor Dobosz apologized he missed the meeting. Agree, Ward 6 was the only ward to vote against marijuana, better spot for manufacturing in Chicopee, will vote in favor. Councilor Courchesne stated it's a matter of 2 feet in the waiver, doesn't make a difference. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 no. Councilor Zygarowski voting no, Councilor Vieau absent.

- 22 A favorable Zoning Committee report for a Special Permit application under 275-72 for the purpose of adult use marijuana establishment - marijuana retailer (license group B) and the following waiver requests

1. Seeking a waiver from the hours set forth in Section E (4) of the Adult Use Marijuana Zoning Ordinance - to operate from 8AM to 10PM, seven days a week
2. Seeking a waiver under section 275-62 (D) for setback requirements for ground sign from 25 feet to 1.8 feet.

Location - 672A Fuller Road

Applicant Theory Wellness, Inc.
Brandon Pollock, President & CEO
38 Montvale Avenue #210
Stoneham, MA 02180

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to extend the 60 days. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent. Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to postpone to the 6/27/19 Zoning Committee meeting. Councilor Laflamme stated glad we postponed this, a traffic report was done on a Sunday. Chief had approved this however, he said all that he had approved was the security of the place. DPW will now be congesting the place too. Traffic problems there it backs up off the ramp in that area. Councilor Courchesne stated not with the additional traffic, why would a study be done on a Sunday? Suspect loud and clear they will hear this. Councilor Dobosz stated he has similar concerns, traffic issues, state will be redoing the road, try to hear back from residents, will be at the next meeting. Councilor Krampits stated the traffic study should be done prior to the end of the school year. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote, referred. Councilor Vieau absent.

23 A favorable Zoning Committee report for a Special Permit application under 275-70 for the purpose of medical marijuana facility (retail medical marijuana dispensary) and the following waiver requests

1. Seeking a waiver from the hours set forth in Section E (4) of the Adult Use Marijuana Zoning Ordinance – to operate from 8AM to 10PM, seven days a week
2. Seeking a waiver under section 275-62(D) for setback requirements for ground sign from 25 feet to 1.8 feet.

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24 A favorable Zoning Committee report for a Special Permit application under Chapter 275-50(C)(2)(b) for the purpose of erecting digital sign mounted to pylon sign located at 658 Fuller Road.

Applicant Carlos A. Martins
658 Fuller Road
Chicopee, MA 01020

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and the Special Permit granted with restrictions. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

25 A favorable Zoning Committee report for a Special permit application under Chapter 275-52(B)(13) for the purpose of an animal kennel license located at 31 Donlyn Drive.

Applicant Theresa Chagnon
31 Donlyn Drive
Chicopee, MA 01013

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and the Special Permit granted with restrictions. Councilor Tillotson stated interesting, some people were opposed, they heard a dog barking all the time, wasn't her dogs, no opposition. Councilor Balakier stated interesting meeting, misconception bring people in to discuss issues. Councilor Laflamme stated runs with the applicant. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

26 A favorable Zoning Committee report, an application for a Zone Change from Business A to Residential B for 8,700 SF of property located at 652 Chicopee Street for the purpose of building a two story duplex and to connect the property to a larger, existing Residential B zone located to the north east of the property.

Applicant Andre Marcoux
Deborah Missildine
67 Catherine Street
Chicopee, MA 01013

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and the Zone change granted. Councilor Tillotson stated no opposition, made sense. Councilor Laflamme stated located across from the old Chapin School used to be a three family. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

- 27 A favorable Zoning Committee report, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council that the Code of the City of Chicopee for the Year 1991, as amended, be and is hereby further amended as follows:

Delete Chapter 275-66 A in its entirety

And insert in place thereof

275-66 A Burnett Road

- A. No further business, commercial or industrial development shall occur on Burnett Road from the Ludlow/Chicopee line to the intersection of New Lombard Road and Burnett Road and any appurtenant street for a period of one year commencing on April 1, 2019, and terminating on April 1, 2020, except by special permit.

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive and pass. Motion passed through all stages by a roll call vote of 11 yes, 1 out of chair. Councilor Labrie out of chair, Councilor Vieau absent.

- 28 BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council that the Code of the City of Chicopee for the Year 1991, as amended, be and is hereby further amended as follows:

Chapter 95

Add the following to the end of 95-1A

The City Council may exempt any vehicle from this Section by majority vote of the full City Council

To read:

- A. All motor vehicles owned and operated by the City of Chicopee shall be painted and marked as follows:
(1) Color: federal highway safety yellow or chrome yellow or equal, except that the Superintendent of Schools, the Superintendent of the Water Department, the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation, the Supervisor of Motor Equipment, the City Engineer, the Assessor, the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works, the Building Commissioner, the City Treasurer, Sealer of Weights and Measures, three recycling vehicles, all used recycled City Vehicles which are not currently federal highway safety yellow or equal that are accepted into the general fleet, one flatbed truck (recycling fleet), recycling vehicle received from the Department of Environmental Protection, municipal home vehicle, the library vehicle, Council on Aging vehicles and the central maintenance service truck shall be exempt from this requirement. The City Council may exempt any vehicle from this Section by majority vote of the full City Council.

--Motion made by Councilor Tillotson to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Tillotson stated agree with this. Councilor Laflamme stated get away from the yellow vehicles, special paint on vehicles, last three trucks, spent an extra \$5000.00, lots of white vehicles. Waste of taxpayer money. Will have logos on them, investment should be more reflectors and lights. Councilor Dobosz stated support this if we can save costs, then do it. Councilor Laflamme stated lighting, back of trucks are black anyway. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Vieau absent.

- 29 BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council that the Code of the City of Chicopee for the Year 1991, as amended, be and is hereby further amended as follows:

Add Chapter 279

CHAPTER 279 MENSTRUAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS ACCESS ORDINANCE

SECTION 1: **PURPOSE**

To improve gender equity in public toilet facilities by providing free menstrual hygiene products in restrooms serving the general public in its public buildings.

--Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee, Health Department and Mayor for funding. Councilor Tillotson questioned it being free, if things are free, they will be taken. Cost? Will be aired in committee. Councilor Labrie asked if we will be putting these in both rest rooms? Councilor McAuliffe stated womens rights are human rights. A chance to send a message to the women in the city they are respected, hope to get past initial questions. Look forward to the Ordinance Committee hearing. Women should not have to fear for lack of products, treat women the same way men would be treated. Encourage all to do some research, vast majority of employees in city hall are women. Councilor Roy asked for a cost analysis for the next meeting. Councilor McAuliffe stated the cost will not be a large amount, should be breaking down barriers. Give women access. Councilor Walczak stated an article from the republican, pros and cons, states that have adopted.

30 WHEREAS, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) communities of Chicopee are an integral part of the vibrant culture and climate of Chicopee; and

WHEREAS, the diverse LGBT community continues to contribute to the widespread academic, economic, artistic and social spheres within and around our greater community; and

WHEREAS, the month of June is designated as Pride Month to commemorate the Stonewall Riots which occurred in June of 1969 and are generally recognized as the catalyst of the LGBT rights movement; and

WHEREAS, Chicopee's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender communities make an indelible impact upon the quality of life in Chicopee, and Pride Month serves as a call to our collective consciousness to persist in the fight to eradicate prejudice and discrimination everywhere:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council in the City of Chicopee does hereby recognize and salute PRIDE in the Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual community in Chicopee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council does hereby proclaim June 2019, as "Pride Month" in the City of Chicopee.

--Motion made by Councilor McAuliffe to receive and pass. Councilor McAuliffe stated the city raised the pride flag this week. Privileged to be part of the first pride flag raising in the city, FaceBook comments, small number opposed, hate & bigotry still remain. Highest level of hate crimes in the US. Use privilege to support people. This small token is meaningful proclaim June pride month, encourage all to vote in favor. Councilor Tillotson stated no issue with this. Bring all people together, pride in all, separate but equal is never equal. Little groups create jealousy, take pride in every group, dividing into groups. Motion passed through all stages by a unanimous roll call vote. Councilor Vieau absent.

31 ORDERED THAT the DPW move the "Slow Children" sign from 20/22 Muzzy Street to the east side of Muzzy Street, 20 feet from Cochran Street.

--Motion made by Councilor Krampits to receive and sent to DPW for implementation. Councilor Krampits stated request from constituent wants it on the other side. Motion passed. Councilor Vieau absent.

32 BE IT ORDERED THAT the Finance Committee meet to discuss the recommendation to the Mayor that a Traffic Enforcement position be added to the Police Department and to include the appropriate funding.

--Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive and refer to the Finance Committee. Councilor Courchesne stated second bite at the apple. Based on parking complaints, don't get addressed in a timely manner, permitted parking in municipal lots. Councilor Laflamme stated waiting to see what the Chief says. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Vieau absent.

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BE IT ORDERED THAT the Finance Committee meet to discuss the recommendation to the Mayor that a Code Enforcement position be added to the Law Department staff and to include the appropriate funding.

--Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive and refer to the Finance Committee. Councilor Courchesne stated part of problem properties. Bring back the position to the Law Department. Building and Health are too busy to handle the load, more work, already stretched too thin. Councilor Laflamme asked to add the job description? Heath and Building. Councilor Tillotson stated many of these cases have to go to court, absentee landlords. Routine stuff, great cooperation from Mr. Boron getting through the court system, gets hung up. Major problem, other ramifications, semi abandoned, slow process, court. Councilor Courchesne state isn't addressing those. This is the habitual landlord quality of life. Ticket every day, starts with multiple ticketing. Councilor Laflamme stated agree, brought to court, clean/go to court/clean. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Vieau absent.

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A proposed ordinance, adding to Chapter 260, Handicap Parking, 926 Chicopee Street, Handicap Parking.

-Motion made by Councilor Courchesne to receive, 1st reading, refer to the Ordinance Committee, COD and City Engineering. Councilor Courchesne stated constituent request. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Vieau absent.

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A proposed ordinance, adding to Chapter 260, Isolated Stop Signs and Signal Lights, Paul Street – At the intersection of Paul Street and Wallace Street, Isolated Stop Sign.

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive, 1st reading and refer to the Ordinance Committee. Councilor Walczak stated residents concern. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Vieau absent.

36

A NEW Service Station License application for Big Y Express #119, 1177 Granby Road.

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and refer to the License Committee. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Walczak stated will take up in committee. Councilor Dobosz abstained, Councilor Vieau absent.

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An amendment of a Junk Dealers License for a change of location from 766A Memorial Drive to 1260 Memorial Drive. Applied for by: Archie Moe, 125 Ohio Avenue, West Springfield, MA 01089.

--Motion made by Councilor Walczak to receive and refer to the License Committee. Motion passed, referred. Councilor Walczak stated will take up in committee. Councilor Vieau absent.

ATTEST:



KEITH W RATTELL
CITY CLERK